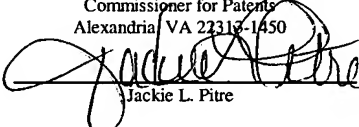


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Title: SPINAL IMPLANT

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Sir:

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5259-14600/EBM:

1. Basic Filing Fee (Utility)	\$770.00
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3. 6 independent claims in excess of 3 independent claims	\$516.00
4. Late declaration surcharge	\$130.00
5. 2-month extension of time	\$420.00

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The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fee or other fees that may be necessary to the same account number.

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